

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Robyn WARD *et al.*

Title: ASSESSMENT OF DISEASE RISK BY  
QUANTITATIVE DETERMINATION OF  
EPIMUTATION IN NORMAL TISSUES

Appl. No.: 10/576,575

International  
Filing Date: 10/20/2004

371(c) Date: 7/14/08

Examiner: Amanda Marie Shaw

Art Unit: 1634

Confirmation  
Number: 4121

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required** under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

- a. Previously submitted:

- [ ] Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
- [ ] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_\_\_ but not considered.
- [ ] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_.

[ ] Other \_\_\_\_.

b. Enclosed are:

- [ X ] Amendment/Reply.
- [ ] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- [ ] Information Disclosure Statement.
- [ ] Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of \_\_\_\_ listed reference(s).
- [ ] Other .

Miscellaneous:

- [ ] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

|  | Claims as<br>Amended | Previously<br>Paid For | Extra Claims<br>Present | Rate              | Fee Totals |
|--|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e):                                     |                      |                        |                         | \$810.00          | = \$810.00 |
| Total Claims:  | 6                    | - 20                   | = 0                     | x \$52.00         | = \$0.00   |
| Independents   | 1                    | - 3                    | = 0                     | x \$220.00        | = \$0.00   |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: |                      |                        | + \$390.00              | = \$0.00          |            |
|  |                      |                        |                         | CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: | = \$810.00 |

[ X ] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

|                          |   |            |   |           |
|--------------------------|---|------------|---|-----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the first month:      | \$130.00   | 0 | \$0.00    |
| [ X ]                    | Extension for response filed within the second month:     | \$490.00   |   | \$490.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the third month:      | \$1,110.00 |   | \$0.00    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the fourth month:     | \$1,730.00 |   | \$0.00    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the fifth month:      | \$2,350.00 |   | \$0.00    |
|                          | EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:                                   |            |   | \$490.00  |
|                          | EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:                               | -          |   | \$130.00  |
|                          | EXTENSION FEE TOTAL                                       |            |   | \$360.00  |
|                          | CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:                           |            |   | \$1170.00 |
| [ X ]                    | Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):            |            |   | \$585.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) |            |   | \$0.00    |
|                          | TOTAL FEE:  |            |   | \$585.00  |

The above-identified fees of \$585.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment accompany this paper, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to the same deposit account.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date April 5, 2011

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